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| THE REPLY FILED FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. | | | | | | |
| PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)] | | | | | | |
| a) The period for reply expiresmonths from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f). Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). | | | | | | |
| 1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on 26 January 2004. Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. | | | | | | |
| 2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered be | ecause: | | | | | |
| (a) They raise new issues that would require further | er consideration and/or search (| see NOTE below); | | | | |
| (b) X they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below); | | | | | | |
| (c) ☑ they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or | | | | | | |
| (d) they present additional claims without cancel | ing a corresponding number of f | inally rejected claims. | | | | |
| NOTE: <u>See Continuation Sheet</u> . | | | | | | |
| 3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection | | | | | | |
| 4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). | | | | | | |
| 5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet. | | | | | | |
| 6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered bed raised by the Examiner in the final rejection. | cause it is not directed SOLELY | to issues which were newly | | | | |
| 7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment explanation of how the new or amended claims w | t(s) a)⊠ will not be entered or b ould be rejected is provided belo |)⊡ will be entered and an ow or appended. | | | | |
| The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) allowed: | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) objected to: | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>1,4-10 and 12-20</u> . | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: | | | | | | |
| 8. The drawing correction filed on is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner. | | | | | | |
| 9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Stateme | nt(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s) | · | | | | |
| 10. Other: | | | | | | |
| | | PHILMEAMBEL Phillip Gambel Primary Examiner 3/9/04 Art Unit: 1644 | | | | |

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Continuation Sheet (PTOL-303)

Continuation of 2. NOTE: Claim 21: "not from a humoral immune reaction" raises new issues and possibly new matter (negative limitation not support by the specification as filed). For examination purposes, "consistently essentially of" is considered to be open (e.g. same or nearly the same as "comprising") in the absence of sufficient directon or description in the specification. Here, it raises new issues not previously raised by applicant (e.g. see amended claim 21) "results from a cell-mediated immune reaction to a self-antigen" raises new issues.

Continuation of 5. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: of the reasons of record. Under 102, there does not appear to a manipulative difference in the method steps when compared to the prior art. There is sufficient motivation and expectation in the prior art in inhibiting \top cell mediated cellular responses associated with Type I diabetes.